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Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the District of Columbia/Labor/HHS/Education Conference Report.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S13619–S13727

Measures Introduced: Six bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1840–1845, S. Res. 214–217, and S. Con. Res. 65–67. **Page S13879**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 439, to amend the National Forest and Public Lands of Nevada Enhancement Act of 1988 to adjust the boundary of the Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada. (S. Rept. No. 106–205)

S. 977, to provide for the conveyance by the Bureau of Land Management to Douglas County, Oregon, of a county park and certain adjacent land, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 106–206)

S. 1296, to designate portions of the lower Delaware River and associated tributaries as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–207)

S. 1349, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct special resource studies to determine the national significance of specific sites as well as the suitability and feasibility of their inclusion as units of the National Park System, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 106–208)

S. 1569, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Taunton River in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 106–209)

S. 1599, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain administrative sites and other land in the Black Hills National Forest and to use funds derived from the sale or exchange to acquire replacement sites and to acquire or construct administrative improvements in connection with Black Hills National Forest. (S. Rept. No. 106–210)

H.R. 20, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct and operate a visitor center for the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River on land owned by the State of New York, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 106–211)

H.R. 592, to redesignate Great Kills Park in the Gateway National Recreation Area as “World War II Veterans Park at Great Kills”. (S. Rept. No. 106–212)

H.R. 1619, to amend the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994 to expand the boundaries of the Corridor. (S. Rept. No. 106–213)

S. 791, to amend the Small Business Act with respect to the women’s business center program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–214)

H.J. Res. 65, commending the World War II veterans who fought in the Battle of the Bulge.

S. 1515, to amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act, with an amendment. **Page S13678**

Measures Passed:

Authorizing Senate Chamber Photographs: Senate agreed to S. Res. 214, authorizing the taking of photographs in the Chamber of the United States Senate. **Page S13719**

Printing Authority: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 66, to authorize the printing of “Capitol Builder: The Shorthand Journals of Captain Montgomery C. Meigs, 1853–1861”. **Page S13719**

Printing Authority: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 67, to authorize the printing of “United States Capitol: A Chronicle of Construction, Design, and Politics”. **Page S13719**

Senate Committee Changes: Senate agreed to S. Res. 215, making changes to Senate committees for the 106th Congress. **Page S13720**

Alabama Wilderness: Senate passed S. 1843, to designate certain Federal land in the Talladega National Forest, Alabama, as the "Dugger Mountain Wilderness".

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SSA Alternative Penalty Procedure: Senate passed S. 1844, to amend Part D of Title 4 of the Social Security Act to provide for an alternative penalty procedure with respect to compliance with requirements for a State disbursement unit.

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Educational Support: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. 440, to provide support for certain institutes and schools, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Hagel (for Jeffords) Amendment No. 2504, to support the Robert T. Stafford Public Policy Institute.

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African Growth and Opportunity Act: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 434, to authorize a new trade and investment policy for sub-Sahara Africa, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Rejected:

Hollings Amendment No. 2379 (to Amendment No. 2325), to require the negotiation, and submission to Congress, of side agreements concerning labor before benefits are received. (By 54 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 345), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Feingold Amendment No. 2428 (to Amendment No. 2325), to strengthen the transshipment provisions. (By 53 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 346), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Hollings Amendment No. 2483 (to Amendment No. 2325), to require the negotiation, and submission to Congress, of side agreements concerning the environment before benefits are received. (By 57 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 347), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Hollings Amendment No. 2485 (to Amendment No. 2325), to require the negotiation of a reciprocal trade agreement lowering tariffs on imports of United States goods with a country before benefits are received under this Act by that country. (By 70 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. 348), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Conrad/Grassley Amendment No. 2359 (to Amendment No. 2325), to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to provide trade adjustment assistance to farmers and fishermen. (By voice vote, Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Feingold Amendment No. 2406 (to Amendment No. 2325), to ensure that the trade benefits accrue

to firms and workers in sub-Saharan Africa. (By voice vote, Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Withdrawn:

Lott Amendment No. 2332 (to Amendment No. 2325), of a perfecting nature.

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Lott Amendment No. 2333 (to Amendment No. 2332), of a perfecting nature.

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Pending:

Lott (for Roth/Moynihan) Amendment No. 2325, in the nature of a substitute.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 74 yeas to 23 nays (Vote No. 344), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on Amendment No. 2325 (listed above).

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Subsequently, the motion to commit with instructions, and Lott Amendment No. 2334 (to the instructions of the motion to commit), of a perfecting nature fell.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Wednesday, November 3, 1999.

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District of Columbia/Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations Conference: By 49 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 343), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3064, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000.

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Financial Services Modernization Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on S. 900, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, with a vote on adoption of the conference report to occur thereon.

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—348)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:31 a.m., and adjourned at 6:49 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, November 3, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S13725.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Senate concluded hearings to examine the new Round of international trade negotiations to be discussed at the upcoming World Trade Organization Conference in Seattle, focusing on the services industries trade agenda, after receiving testimony from Charlene Barshefsky, United States Trade Representative.

PROTECTION OF FOREST ROADLESS AREAS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings to examine the President's Memorandum for the Secretary of Agriculture on the Protection of Forest Roadless Areas, and the Forest Service's actions that are planned in response, after receiving testimony from Senator Hatch; and Daniel R. Glickman, Secretary, Jim Lyons, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, and Mike Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, all of the Department of Agriculture.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Avis Thayer Bohlen, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Arms Control, Robert J. Einhorn, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Non-proliferation, J. Stapleton Roy, of Pennsylvania, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research, Craig Gordon Dunkerley, of Massachusetts, for the Rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Envoy for Conventional Forces in Europe, Norman A. Wulf, of Virginia, to be a Special Representative of the President, with the rank of Ambassador, Charles Taylor Manatt, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Dominican Republic, and Anthony Stephen Harrington, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Federative Republic of Brazil, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Manatt was introduced by Senators Gramm,

Feinstein, Boxer, and Harkin, and Mr. Harrington was introduced by Senator Sarbanes.

EXTREMIST MOVEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings to examine the incidence of terrorism in the Middle East and South Asia, focusing on how to combat the growing problem of extremism and its by-product, terrorism, receiving testimony from Michael A. Sheehan, Ambassador at Large and Coordinator for Counterterrorism, Department of State; Mansoor Ijaz, Crescent Equity Partners, New York, New York; Milton Beardon, former CIA Chief in Sudan and Pakistan, Reston, Virginia; and Frederick Starr, Johns Hopkins University Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, and Michael Krepon, Henry L. Stimson Center, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Melvin W. Kahle, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of West Virginia, Q. Todd Dickinson, of Pennsylvania, to be Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, and Anne H. Chasser, of Ohio, to be Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, both of the Department of Commerce, and Kathryn M. Turman, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office for Victims of Crime, Department of Justice;

S. 1798, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide enhanced protection for investors and innovators, protect patent terms, and reduce patent litigation;

H.R. 1907, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide enhanced protection for inventors and innovators, protect patent terms, and reduce patent litigation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the substitute amendment incorporates the text of S. 1798, Senate companion measure.);

S. 1515, to amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act, with an amendment; and

H.J. Res. 65, commending the World War II veterans who fought in the Battle of the Bulge.

Also, committee agreed to postpone consideration of the nominations of Ann Claire Williams, of Illinois, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, Faith S. Hochberg, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, Frank H. McCarthy, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma, and Virginia A. Phillips, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

GOVERNMENT LAWSUITS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine the spate of certain government lawsuits filed against different industries, receiving testimony from Senators Durbin, Reed, and McConnell; Jonathan Turley, George Washington University Law School, Don Ryan, Alliance to End Childhood Lead

Poisoning, Matthew L. Myers, National Center for Tobacco-Free Kids, Victor E. Schwartz, Crowell and Moring, on behalf of the American Tort Reform Association, and R. Bruce Josten, United States Chamber of Commerce, all of Washington, D.C.; and Lt. Gen. William M. Keys, USMC(Ret.), New Colt's Holding Company, Hartford, Connecticut.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 3193–3204; 1 private bill, H.R. 3205; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 74, H. Con. Res. 218–219, and H. Res. 350–351 were introduced.

Pages H11371–72

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2904, to amend the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 to reauthorize funding for the Office of Government Ethics, amended (H. Rept. 106–433, Pt. 1);

Conference report on S. 900, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers (H. Rept. 106–434);

H.R. 3077, to amend the Act that authorized construction of the San Luis Unit of the Central Valley Project, California, to facilitate water transfers in the Central Valley Project, amended (H. Rept. 106–435);

H.R. 3075, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make corrections and refinements in the Medicare Program as revised by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, amended (H. Rept. 106–436, Pt. 1);

H. Res. 352, providing for consideration of H.R. 2389, to restore stability and predictability to the annual payments made to States and counties containing National Forest System lands and public domain lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management for use by the counties for the benefit of public schools, roads (H. Rept. 106–437);

H. Res. 353, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 106–438);

H. Res. 354, providing for consideration of H.R. 3194, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 (H. Rept. 106–439); and

H. Res. 355, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany S. 900, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, insurance companies, and other financial service providers (H. Rept. 106–440).

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:14 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

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Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar, the House passed over without prejudice S. 452, for the relief of Belinda McGregor and H.R. 1023, for the relief of Richard W. Schaffert.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Acquisition of a Building in Terre Haute, Indiana: H.R. 2513, to direct the Administrator of General Services to acquire a building located in Terre Haute, Indiana;

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Training for a President-elect's Nominees: H.R. 3137, to amend the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 to provide for training of individuals a President-elect intends to nominate as department heads or appoint to key positions in the Executive Office of the President;

Pages H11234–36

Federal Financial Assistance Improvements: S. 468, amended, to improve the effectiveness and performance of Federal financial assistance programs, simplify Federal financial assistance application and reporting requirements, and improve the delivery of services to the public;

Pages H11236–40

Honesty in Sweepstakes: H.R. 170, amended, to require certain notices in any mailing using a game of chance for the promotion of a product or service;

Pages H11240–48

National Civility Week: H. Res. 324, supporting National Civility Week, Inc. in its efforts to restore

civility, honesty, integrity, and respectful consideration in the United States; **Pages H11248–49**

Participation in the Census: H. Con. Res. 193, expressing the support of Congress for activities to increase public participation in the decennial census; **Pages H11250–55**

Veteran Status for Zachary Fisher: H. J. Res. 46, conferring status as an honorary veteran of the United States Armed Forces on Zachary Fisher; **Pages H11304–16**

Antitrust Technical Corrections: H.R. 1801, amended, to make technical corrections to various antitrust laws and to references to such laws; **Pages H11318–21**

Nursing Care in Disadvantaged Areas: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 441, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the requirements for the admission of nonimmigrant nurses who will practice in health professional shortage areas—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H11321–24**

Prayers and Invocations at Public School Sporting Events: H. Con. Res. 199, expressing the sense of the Congress that prayers and invocations at public school sporting events contribute to the moral foundation of our Nation and urging the Supreme Court to uphold their constitutionality; **Pages H11325–30**

Financial Literacy Training: H. Con. Res. 213, encouraging the Secretary of Education to promote, and State and local educational agencies to incorporate in their education programs, financial literacy training (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 411 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 553); **Pages H11208–12, H11338–39**

United States Commitment to NATO: H. Res. 59, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States remains committed to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 278 yeas to 133 nays, with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 554); **Pages H11212–18, H11339–40**

Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation: H.R. 3164, to provide for the treatment of the actions of certain foreign narcotics traffickers as an unusual and extraordinary threat to the United States for purposes of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (passed by a yea and nay vote of 385 yeas to 26 nays, Roll No. 555); and **Pages H11218–31, H11340**

Hurricane Floyd Disaster: H. Res. 349, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President should immediately transmit to Congress the President’s recommendations for emergency

response actions, including appropriate offsets, to provide relief and assistance to the victims of Hurricane Floyd (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 409 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 556). **Pages H11330–38, H11340–41**

Affirming the Loyalty of Asian-Americans: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 124, expressing the sense of the Congress relating to recent allegations of espionage and illegal campaign financing that have brought into question the loyalty and probity of Americans of Asian ancestry. **Pages H11316–18**

Questions of Privilege: Pursuant to Rule IX, Representatives Visclosky, Wise, Kucinich, Traficant, and Kaptur announced their intentions to present questions of the privileges of the House in the form of resolutions that call on the President to abstain from renegotiating international agreements governing antidumping and countervailing measures. The forms of these resolutions appear on pages H11249–50, H11303–04, H11321, and H11324–25

Committee Resignation and Election: Read a letter from Representative Lee wherein she resigned from the Committee on Banking and Financial Services. Subsequently, the House agreed to H. Res. 351 whereby Mr. Ackerman was elected to the Committee. **Page H11341**

Quality Care for the Uninsured: The House agreed to H. Res. 348, providing for the House to disagree to the Senate amendment and agree to a conference on H.R. 2990, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals greater access to health insurance through a health care tax deduction, a long-term care deduction, and other health-related tax incentives, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to provide access to and choice in health care through association health plans, to amend the Public Health Service Act to create new pooling opportunities for small employers to obtain greater access to health coverage through HealthMarts; to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage. **Pages H11341–44**

Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment, upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, of Ms. Judith Flink of Illinois to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance. **Page H11344**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H11330.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H11372–73.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H11338–39, H11339–40, H11340, and H11340–41. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1954, Rental Fairness Act of 1999; H.R. 887, to amend the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 to require improved disclosure of corporate charitable contributions; and H.R. 1089, amended, Mutual Fund Tax Awareness Act of 1999.

STALKING PREVENTION AND VICTIM PROTECTION ACT; SMALL BUSINESS LIABILITY REFORM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 1869, Stalking Prevention and Victim Protection Act of 1999.

The Committee also continued mark up of H.R. 2366, Small Business Liability Reform Act of 1999.

Committee recessed subject to call.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1680, to provide for the conveyance of Forest Service property in Kern County, California, in exchange for county lands suitable for inclusion in Sequoia National Forest; H.R. 1749, amended, to designate Wilson Creek in Avery and Caldwell Counties, North Carolina, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 1969, amended, Arizona National Forest Improvement Act of 1990; and H.R. 3089, to provide for a comprehensive scientific review of the current conservation status of the northern spotted owl as a result of implementation of the President's Northwest Forest Plan, which is a national strategy for the recovery of the species on public forest lands.

CONFERENCE REPORT—FINANCIAL SERVICES MODERNIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany S. 900, Financial Services Modernization Act of 1999, and against its consideration.

The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Leach and Representatives Oxley, LaFalce and Vento.

COUNTY SCHOOLS FUNDING REVITALIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 2389, County Schools Funding Revitalization Act of 1999, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Agriculture. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1, modified by the amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the resolution. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be open for amendment at any point. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Goodlatte.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule on H.R. 3194, District of Columbia Appropriations Act, 2000, providing one hour of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing that suspensions will be in order at any time on or before the legislative day of Wednesday, November 10, 1999. The rule provides that the object of any motion to suspend the rule shall be announced from the floor at least two hours prior to its consideration. The rule further provides that the

Speaker or his designee will consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on any suspension considered under this resolution.

START-UP SUCCESS ACCOUNTS ACT

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Empowerment held a hearing on H.R. 2373, Start-Up Success Accounts Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law to examine the process for requesting new judgeships, after receiving testimony from Representatives Kingston, Castle, Hoyer, and Bryant; Michael J. Melloy, United States District Chief Judge for the Northern District of Iowa, on behalf of the Judicial Conference of the United States; Mary Davies Scott, United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Arkansas, on behalf of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; Hugh M. Ray, Andrews and Kurth, Houston, Texas; and Ford Elsaesser, Elsaesser, Jarzabck, Anderson, Marks & Elliott, Sandpoint, Idaho, on behalf of the American Bankruptcy Institute.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1224)

H.R. 659, to authorize appropriations for the protection of Paoli and Brandywine Battlefields in Pennsylvania, to direct the National Park Service to conduct a special resource study of Paoli and Brandywine Battlefields, to authorize the Valley Forge Museum of the American Revolution at Valley Forge National Historical Park. Signed October 31, 1999. (P.L. 106-86)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings on lessons learned from the military operations conducted as part of Operation Allied Force, and associated relief operations, with respect to Kosovo, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Drinking Water, to hold hearings to examine solutions to the policy con-

cerns with respect to Habitat Conservation Plans, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine issues in promoting United States interests, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

House

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, to mark up H.R. 1095, Debt Relief for Poverty Reduction Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Spamming: The E-Mail You Want To Can, focusing on the following bills: H.R. 3113, Unsolicited Electronic Mail Act of 1999; H.R. 2162, Can Spam Act; and H.R. 1910, E-Mail User Protection Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to mark up the following: H.R. 1693, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to clarify the overtime exemption for employees engaged in fire protection activities; a measure to amend the Welfare to Work Program; and a measure to exempt certain reports from automatic elimination and sunset pursuant to the Federal Reports Elimination and Sunset Act of 1995, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing on Providing Adequate Housing: Is HUD Fulfilling Its Mission? 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2533, Fairness in Telecommunications License Transfers Act of 1999; H.R. 2636, Taxpayer's Defense Act; and H.R. 2701, Justice for MAS Applicants of 1999, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, to mark up H.R. 3125, to prohibit Internet gambling, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, oversight hearing on a proposal by the Administration directing U.S. Forest Service to promulgate regulations regarding roadless areas within the National Forest System, 10 a.m.; and to mark up S. 430, Kake Tribal Corporation Land Exchange Act, 1 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Basic Research, to mark up H.R. 2797, Home Page Tax Repeal Act, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Empowerment and the Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Business Opportunities and Special Small Business Problems, joint hearing on The Aging of Agriculture: Empowering Young Farmers to Grow for the Future, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, oversight hearing on the Coast Guard's search and rescue mission, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on Harbor and Inland Waterway Financing, 3 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive hearing on Unauthorized Disclosures of Classified Information: Scope and Seriousness of the Problem, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings on the Chechen crisis and its implications for Russian Democracy, 10 a.m., 2226, Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 3

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 434, African Growth and Opportunity Act. Also, Senate may consider the conference report on S. 900, Financial Services Modernization Act.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, November 3

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Motion to Instruct Conferees on H.R. 2990, Quality Care for the Uninsured Act;

Consideration of H.R. 3194, District of Columbia Appropriations Act, 2000 (closed rule, one hour of general debate); and

Consideration of H.R. 2389, County Schools Funding Revitalization Act of 1999 (open rule, one hour of general debate).

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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